

AMENDMENT(S) TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the Title located at the beginning of the specification and substitute therefor the following Title: BUFFED TONER METERING BLADE FOR USE WITH AN IMAGING APPARATUS.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 4, and substitute therefor the following paragraph, which contains markings to show all of the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph:

Imaging apparatus 10 may be, for example, a printer or a multifunction unit. Such a multifunction unit may be configured to perform standalone functions, such as copying or facsimile receipt and transmission, in addition to printing. Print engine 12 may be, for example, an electrophotographic print engine, which includes, for example, a charging source for applying an electrical charge to a photoconductor member, and a light source, such as a laser, used to selectively discharge areas on the photoconductor member to form a latent image on the photoconductor member. The latent image on the photoconductor member is developed using toner supplied by imaging cartridge 14, and in turn, is transferred to a sheet of print media 16 that is feed fed through a sheet feed path of imaging apparatus 10.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 27, and substitute therefor the following paragraph, which contains markings to show all of the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph:

To facilitate an automated process in practicing the present invention, a machine table may be arrange arranged to hold and transport doctor blade 26 during the buffing of metering surface 44 with respect to the orbital buffing media, and wherein the orbital sander is positioned at a

predetermined orientation with respect to metering surface 44 during the buffing process. Such an automated system may be controlled, for example, using a PLC (programmable logic controller) program executing on a programmable controller.